SB 23 - Orphans' Court Judges - Favorable with Amendments Judicial Proceedings Committee

Chair, Vice Chair, and other members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee;

I ask that you please vote in favor of Senate Bill 23.

I believe that, as with the county Board of Education (at least in Anne Arundel County), judges should be designated as Unaffiliated on the ballot. I also ask that the bill include that, like my county Board of Education, people who are not registered as Democrats or Republicans be permitted to vote in the Primary for judicial positions (Orphans' Court judges in this instance, but I'd like it to be for all elected judges, as well as Court Clerks.) We shouldn't have to change our Party designations in order to vote for positions that shouldn't be partisan in the first place.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Debi Jasen Pasadena, MD